



# Promoting Indian Ocean Agriculture and Biodiversity

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the web portal for Indian Ocean agriculture and biodiversity:  
a tool to inform producers, scientists, the general public and decision-makers

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In the Indian Ocean, a web portal was conceived to promote agriculture and biodiversity for sustainable development.

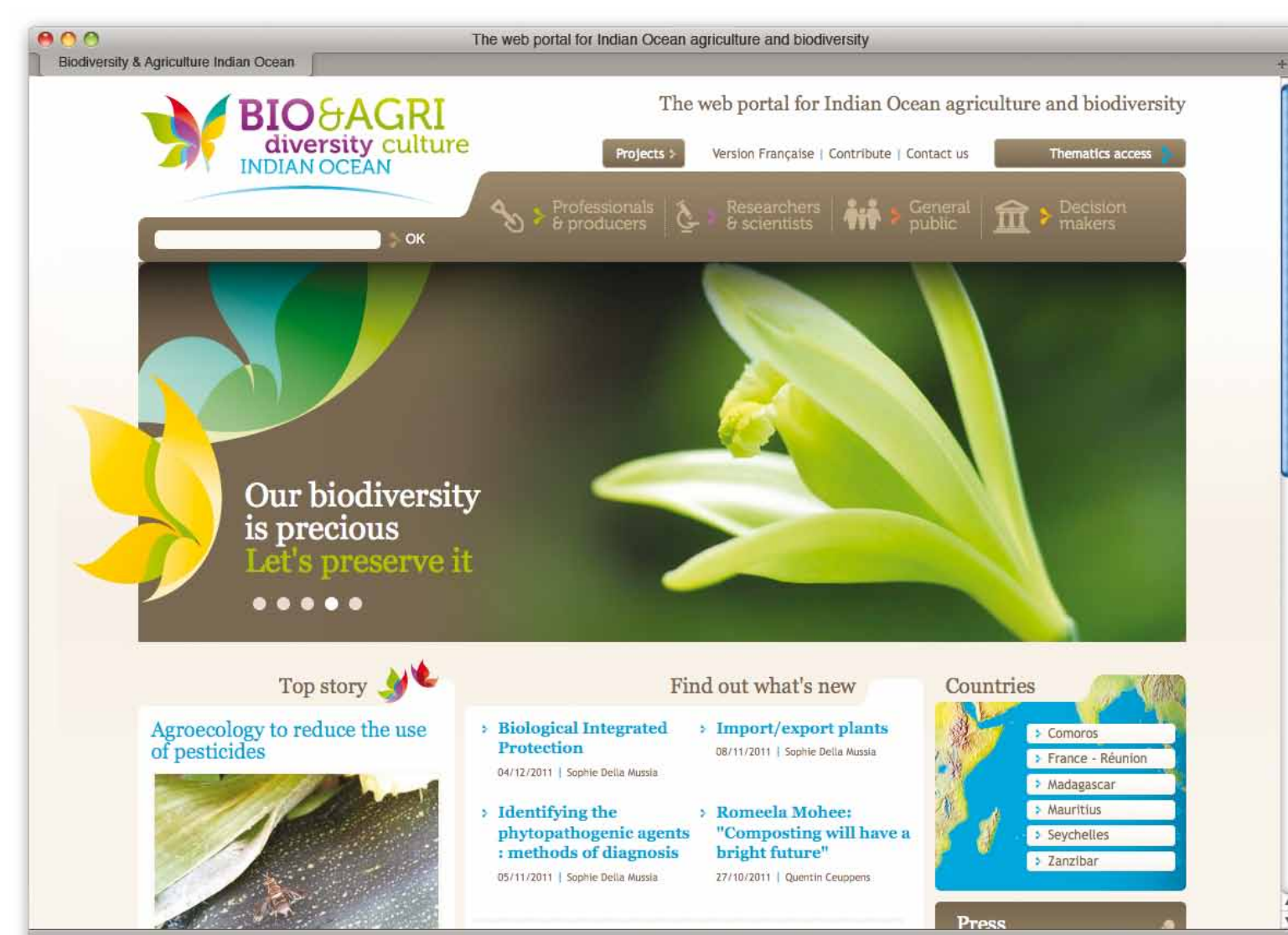
## ► Preserving biodiversity for food security

The islands of the Indian Ocean are home to a unique and remarkable biodiversity. They have similar environmental conditions and are subject to common threats. Conserving biodiversity is essential to agricultural production, which itself is needed to feed people. Therefore agricultural production and conservation of biodiversity must be balanced for the sustainable development of the region.

The Biodiversity & Agriculture Web Portal was conceived to promote agriculture and biodiversity in the Indian Ocean for a sustainable agricultural production. The objective is to inform producers, scientists, and sensitize the public, press and decision-makers on preserving biodiversity for food, medicine, tourism, etc.

## ► What kind of information will you find on the Web Portal?

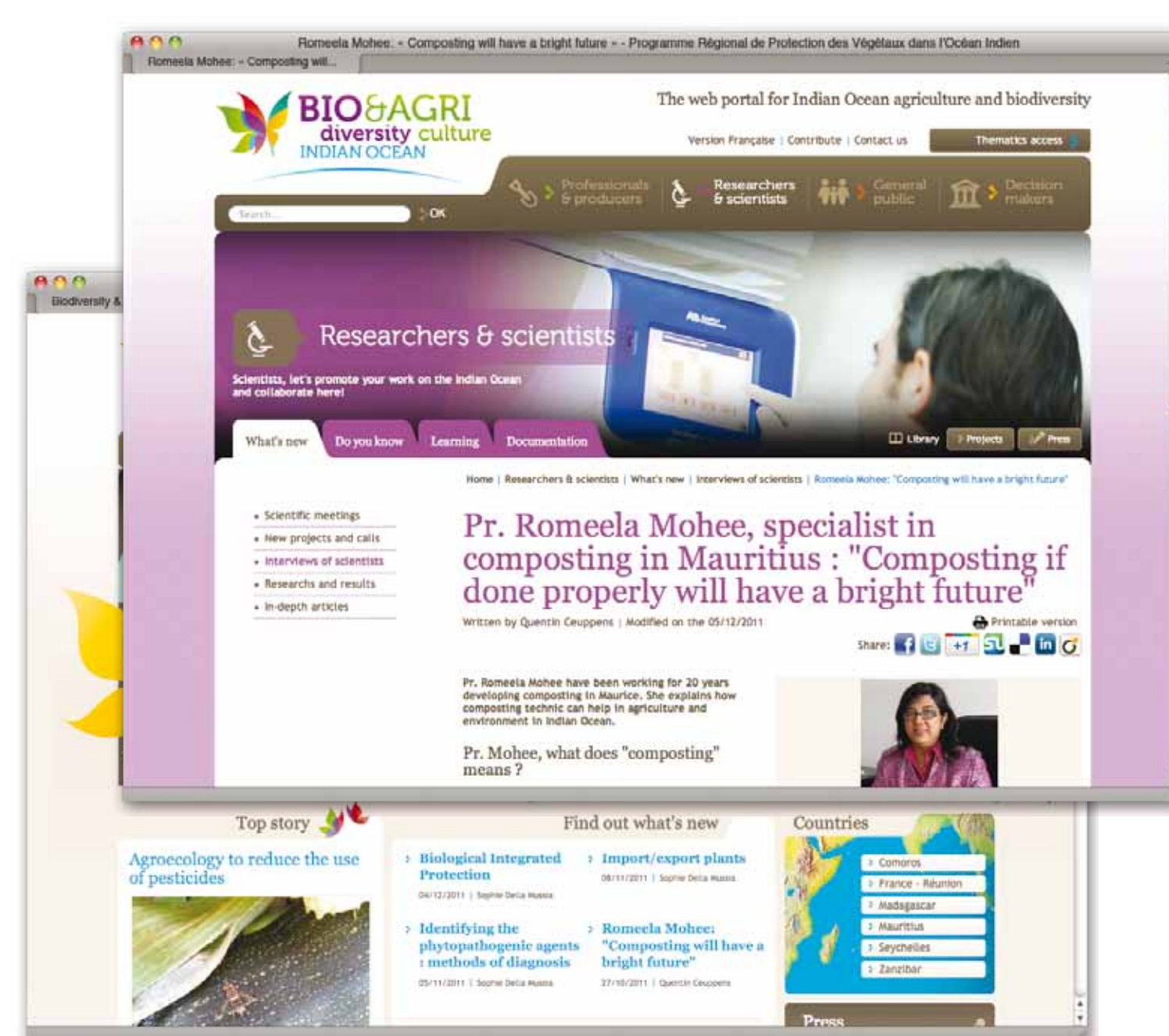
This web portal offers information on the strategies of Indian Ocean Commission member states, regulations and ongoing activities & laboratory research in the fields of agriculture and biodiversity. It gives tips for professionals to improve their daily practices, and educational tools for teachers to educate their students.



The website is divided into four major sections dedicated to professionals and producers, researchers and scientists, the public and decision-makers. Each section is organized in the same way: information (what's new), knowledge (what you must know), teaching&learning (what you can learn), documentation (if you want to know more).

## ► Articles, reports, videos and podcasts

▼ In the information section, you can find articles, reports, videos and podcasts. For example:



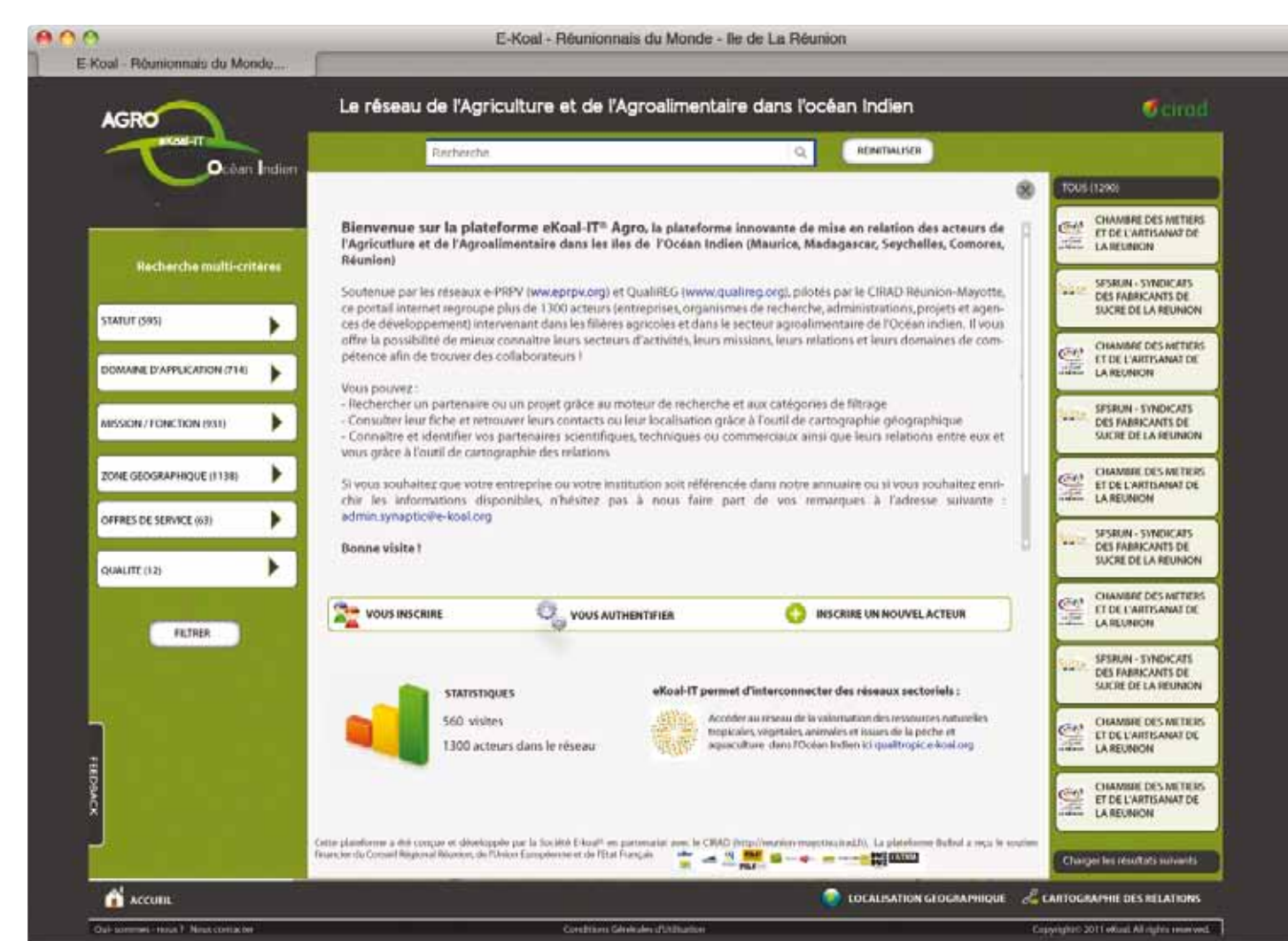
- Podcast testimonies on success stories, in the section for professionals
- Reports on what's going on, project-wise, in the section for decision-makers
- Interviews with scientists on their work, in the section for researchers
- Profiles of those involved which describe their roles and activities, in the section for the public

## ► An open platform

Specialists can become contributors and post information as well as having a private area for their projects on agriculture and biodiversity.



► Contributors are trained to use the Web Portal. Here in Madagascar.



◀ An interactive web directory is available to make contact: people working in the environment, biodiversity, agribusiness or agriculture can register and find collaborators easily.

